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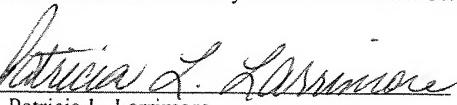
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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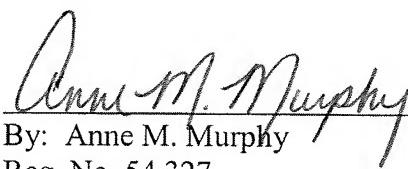
Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed March 9, 2006, said period of response being extended from June 9, 2006 to August 9, 2006.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,  
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